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A001 Administration

Administration encompasses a wide variety of activities that support the overall management of the agency. This activity begins with the executive management for the agency that provides the leadership, direction, and policy recommendations used in carrying out the agency's statutory obligations, commission policies, and agency goals. The functions that support executive management include administrative services, financial services, employee services, regional and field office operations, and external communications. Administrative services include program and office support, program budgeting, contracting and inventory, records management, policy development, legislative activities, print shop and mailroom, internal communications, and customer service. Financial Services include budget, contracts, fiscal oversight, revenue, revolving funds, indirect costs, and comptroller responsibility. Employee Services encourages professional development for employees through training, continuing education, professional accreditation, workshops, and/or conferences. Regional and field office operations support the operation and management of agency-operated administrative offices, wildlife areas, and hatcheries.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	343.5	337.3	340.4
GFS	\$8,188,000	\$8,112,000	\$16,300,000
Other	\$28,961,000	\$29,785,000	\$58,746,000
Total	\$37,149,000	\$37,897,000	\$75,046,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

	The number of recordable safety incidents per 100 Department of					
Т	Fish and Wildlife employees.					
	Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance	
Γ	2005-07	8th Qtr	7.5			
		4th Qtr	7.7			

A002 Conduct Fish and Wildlife Laboratory Activities

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's (WDFW) fish and wildlife laboratory provides biological, pathological, scale, and genetic analysis in support of all agency programs. Laboratory studies provide information to the agency to support fish and wildlife species management and policy.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	30.4	29.8	30.1
GFS	\$763,000	\$744,000	\$1,507,000
Other	\$3,770,000	\$3,950,000	\$7,720,000
Total	\$4,533,000	\$4,694,000	\$9,227,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Obtain data on which to make better decisions

Expected Results

	The percent	age of ha	tchery fish stocks	monitored for	pathogens.
	Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance
Γ	2005-07	8th Qtr	95%		
		4th Qtr	95%		

A003 Conduct Fish and Wildlife Production Activities

Commercial and recreational fishing and hunting opportunities are supplemented through state-run fish hatcheries and game farms. Each year, the department releases roughly 171 million salmonids (chinook, coho, steelhead, chum) and 25 million gamefish (i.e., trout, bass, crappie, etc.) from state-operated hatcheries, and rears 40,000 pheasants for release into rivers, lakes, and/or uplands. Additional functions related to this activity include winter feeding of deer and elk, providing barley for birds, and supplementing feed for other hunted species. Fish and wildlife production activities contribute to increased recreational and commercial hunting and fishing opportunities with the goals of enhancing local economies and conserving fish and wildlife species.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	173.9	170.9	172.4
GFS	\$4,230,000	\$4,337,000	\$8,567,000
Other	\$13,231,000	\$14,369,000	\$27,600,000
Total	\$17,461,000	\$18,706,000	\$36,167,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Sustainable use of public natural resources

Expected Results

Consistent with maximizing fishing opportunities while meeting wild stock restoration goals, the number of salmon smolt (in millions) released annually.					
Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance	
2005-07 8th Qtr 170.4					
	4th Qtr	170.4			

A004 Conduct Habitat Management and Enhancement

The agency regularly engages in activities that protect, enhance, and restore fish and wildlife populations and their habitats within local communities and on agency-owned land. Programs include duck stamp projects, planting/reseeding habitat, and fish barrier removal actions.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	45.5	44.6	45.1
GFS	\$690,000	\$673,000	\$1,363,000
Other	\$5,084,000	\$5,361,000	\$10,445,000
Total	\$5,774,000	\$6,034,000	\$11,808,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

The number of new miles of streams opened annually by removing man-made barriers statewide. (Department of Fish and Wildlife)				
Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance
2005-07	8th Qtr	350		
	4th Qtr	350		

A005 Conduct Research of Fish, Wildlife, and Habitat

The agency conducts fish and wildlife research activities to expand scientific understanding of the ecological needs of fish and wildlife species and their associated habitat. Research activities also focus on the development of new methods and studies that determine population parameters of species and the ecological relationship with their habitat.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	59.3	58.1	58.7
GFS	\$836,000	\$815,000	\$1,651,000
Other	\$6,104,000	\$6,754,000	\$12,858,000
Total	\$6,940,000	\$7,569,000	\$14,509,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Obtain data on which to make better decisions

A006 Conduct Surveys of Fish, Wildlife and Habitat

The agency collects information on fish and wildlife species and their habitat to determine the relative health of a population and the environment. Surveys are performed to assemble data that provides a species inventory and monitors the status and/or trends of specific species and their habitat.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	109.6	108.0	108.8
GFS	\$3,211,000	\$3,132,000	\$6,343,000
Other	\$7,207,000	\$7,741,000	\$14,948,000
Total	\$10,418,000	\$10,873,000	\$21,291,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Obtain data on which to make better decisions

Expected Results

Percent of priority fish populations. Percent of elk and deer populations that meet or exceed levels needed to meet biological recreational needs.

The percentage of listed wild salmon and steelhead stocks showing increased returns of spawning fish in Washington rivers.					
	(Baseline: Average of these stocks 1994 to 1998.)				
Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance	
2005-07 8th Qtr 95%					
	4th Qtr	95%			

A007 Coordinate Tribal Fish, Wildlife, and Habitat Policy and Management

Fish and wildlife resources are jointly managed by the department and the treaty tribes within the state. Joint responsibility for the management of fish and wildlife species and their habitat is needed to ensure that agreed upon harvest management and/or species conservation goals are met. Additional functions within this activity include departmental resources providing technical, policy, and programmatic support to tribal governments to ensure the implementation of federal court orders relative to treaty fishing and hunting rights. In many cases, the tribes and the department implement joint fishing and hunting agreements and joint data collection efforts. An example of data sharing with the tribes is through the Salmon, Steelhead Habitat Inventory Assessment Program (SSHIAP). Watershed level information is collected and made available through SSHIAP.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	11.9	14.8	13.4
GFS	\$475,000	\$857,000	\$1,332,000
Other	\$653,000	\$719,000	\$1,372,000
Total	\$1,128,000	\$1,576,000	\$2,704,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Obtain data on which to make better decisions

Expected Results

Number of state/tribal resource or species harvest agreements in effect.

A008 Develop and Maintain Agency Information Systems

Sound management of fish and wildlife species and their habitat depends upon access to accurate and credible information by agency executives, staff, and commissioners. This activity maintains and develops information systems that support fiscal, accounting, and licensing systems; corporate information systems infrastructure; and hardware and software needs.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	49.9	49.2	49.6
GFS	\$1,905,000	\$1,858,000	\$3,763,000
Other	\$2,916,000	\$3,066,000	\$5,982,000
Total	\$4,821,000	\$4,924,000	\$9,745,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Percentage of agency databases reviewed and updated annually.

A009 Develop Fish and Wildlife Non-Hunting and Fishing Rules

The state Fish and Wildlife Commission provides oversight of the agency and is the rule-making and policy-setting authority for the agency. The commission establishes rules and/or policies that guide agency activities related to the protection and conservation of all fish and wildlife species (and associated habitat) in the state, including rules pertaining to commercial and recreational licensing, grazing, use of WDFW-owned or managed lands, and state listing of endangered and threatened fish and wildlife.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	11.7	11.5	11.6
GFS	\$544,000	\$530,000	\$1,074,000
Other	\$166,000	\$174,000	\$340,000
Total	\$710,000	\$704,000	\$1,414,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Rewrite of hydraulic project approvals (HPAs) by June 30, 2005. Number of species status reviewed for consideration by the commission.

A010 Develop Habitat Conservation and Species Management and Recovery Plans

Maintaining healthy and diverse habitat and populations of all fish and wildlife species is a priority of the department. To better protect and enhance those species whose populations are not considered healthy, the department implements a multi-species, habitat-based approach to developing habitat conservation, species management, and recovery plans.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	37.7	36.9	37.3
GFS	\$429,000	\$419,000	\$848,000
Other	\$4,041,000	\$4,271,000	\$8,312,000
Total	\$4,470,000	\$4,690,000	\$9,160,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Percent of state listed threatened and endangered wildlife species with recovery plans. Number of state listed threatened and endangered wildlife species with recovery plans.

	The number of wildlife species recovery and management plans completed.						
1	Biennium	Actual	Variance				
ĺ	2005-07	8th Qtr	4				
İ		4th Qtr	3				

A011 Ensure Compliance of Fish and Wildlife Regulations

Compliance with state fish, wildlife, and habitat rules and regulations requires active agency participation with the recreational and commercial fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing public. The department's enforcement efforts consist of public education of the laws, rules, and regulations, as well as active enforcement, investigation, and prosecution of fishing, hunting, and hydraulic permit application violations. To increase compliance, the agency's management and enforcement programs regularly review and improve regulations to ensure they are understandable and achieve the desired protection and/or harvest goals.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	143.7	142.0	142.9
GFS	\$6,608,000	\$6,445,000	\$13,053,000
Other	\$3,810,000	\$3,900,000	\$7,710,000
Total	\$10,418,000	\$10,345,000	\$20,763,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Percent of fishers checked complying with agency fishing requirements. Percent of hunters checked complying with agency hunting requirements.

A012 Ensure Department Compliance with ESA and Other Government Regulations

The long-term health and recovery of state fish and wildlife populations is paramount to the agency's mission. Therefore, departmental operations ensure that all agency activities are in compliance with local, state, and/or federal regulations that protect and recover fish, wildlife, and their habitats. Specific agency resources are focused on complying with the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), as well as the issuance of National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits, ESA Take Permits, and/or the implementation of Hatchery Genetic Management Plans.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	27.0	26.7	26.9
GFS	\$941,000	\$918,000	\$1,859,000
Other	\$1,600,000	\$1,643,000	\$3,243,000
Total	\$2,541,000	\$2,561,000	\$5,102,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Safeguards and standards to protect natural resources

Expected Results

Percent of non-Indian salmon and steelhead fisheries affecting listed fish that are conducted under a federal ESA authorization. Percent of Hatchery Genetic Management Plans completed and submitted to National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration fisheries.

A013 Manage Department of Fish and Wildlife Lands for Non-Resource Purposes

To accommodate the diverse needs of the public, WDFW-owned land management actions within this activity are primarily directed at fire and weed control on agency lands. There are also a few recreational activities not related to hunting, fishing, and wildlife viewing, such as rock climbing and road rallies.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	17.6	17.2	17.4
GFS	\$123,000	\$721,000	\$844,000
Other	\$2,075,000	\$1,937,000	\$4,012,000
Total	\$2,198,000	\$2,658,000	\$4,856,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Number of acres of controlled noxious weeds.

	The number of acres (in thousands) of noxious weeds controlled					
١	on WDFW owned/managed lands.					
Biennium Period Target Actual						
Ī	2005-07	8th Qtr	18			
١	4th Qtr 17.5					

A014 Manage Fish and Wildlife Harvest

Successful management of fishing and hunting seasons requires significant preparation and collection of data to ensure appropriate harvest of individual species. A primary activity conducted by the agency is the mass marking program that marks fish species so legally harvestable hatchery fish may be distinguished from unharvestable wild or endangered fish in selective fisheries. Other work within this activity includes estimating and monitoring fish and game animal harvest, sampling for age distribution, angler field checks (creel sampling), hunter deer and elk check stations, and harvest data analysis and questionnaires. Catch record cards and harvest reports are two methods of collecting fish and wildlife consumption information.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	100.9	99.5	100.2
GFS	\$4,056,000	\$3,956,000	\$8,012,000
Other	\$7,088,000	\$4,610,000	\$11,698,000
Total	\$11,144,000	\$8,566,000	\$19,710,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Sustainable use of public natural resources

Expected Results

Number of commercial pounds caught and value. Number of selective fisheries implemented. Number of recreational hunting days.

A015 Manage Fishing and Hunting Seasons

The state Fish and Wildlife Commission provides oversight of the agency and is the rule-making and policy-setting authority for the agency. Specific actions undertaken by the commission and the department within this activity include the development of all policies relating to setting fishing and hunting seasons; the taking of public comment on fishing and hunting issues, rules, and regulations; the establishment of allocations between commercial and recreational users; and the issuance and management of licenses through the WILD system.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	23.1	22.8	23.0
GFS	\$991,000	\$967,000	\$1,958,000
Other	\$958,000	\$998,000	\$1,956,000
Total	\$1,949,000	\$1,965,000	\$3,914,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve cultural and recreational opportunities throughout the

state

Statewide Strategy: Provide stewardship of cultural and recreational assets

Expected Results

Commercial catch value of salmon, marine fish, and shellfish landed annually. Number of days of recreational fishing opportunity provided annually. Number of days of recreational hunting opportunity provided annually.

A016 Manage Landowner Access Agreements

Providing recreational opportunities on agency-owned land and other state-owned lands is a priority for the department in order to maximize the value of department-issued licenses and permits. To further increase the value of such licenses and permits, the department often enters into agreements with private landowners to provide other access points for hunting, fishing, and wildlife viewing opportunities. Specific activities relate to developing and maintaining landowner access agreements, including feel free to hunt, hunt by permission, and road management arrangements.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	1.5	1.5	1.5
GFS	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$18,000
Other	\$198,000	\$198,000	\$396,000
Total	\$207,000	\$207,000	\$414,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve cultural and recreational opportunities throughout the

state

Statewide Strategy: Ensure access to cultural and recreational opportunities

Expected Results

Number of current cooperative landowner agreements.

The number of acres (in thousands) made available for hunting by WDFW agreements with private landowners. (Based on Decision							
Package request WL - Hunter Access)							
Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance			
2005-07	8th Qtr	1,970					
4th Qtr 1,870							

A017 Manage Populations of Species of Concern

Numerous fish and wildlife species within the state are listed as a "threatened" species, "endangered" species, or "species of concern," as their populations are rapidly declining and/or they are in danger of extinction. In order to increase the potential for recovery of these species, the department implements artificial propagation, captive breeding, and/or translocation programs to conserve and protect individual species. Examples of species covered under this activity include pygmy rabbits, big horn sheep, White River spring chinook, and upper Columbia River steelhead.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	59.2	58.0	58.6
GFS	\$987,000	\$962,000	\$1,949,000
Other:	\$5,310,000	\$5,675,000	\$10,985,000
Total	\$6,297,000	\$6,637,000	\$12,934,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Percent of management plans/strategies that have been updated and implemented.

A018 Manage Problem Wildlife

State population growth and development in more rural areas have increased interaction between people and specific species defined as problem wildlife. Most problem wildlife interactions consist of damage to agricultural, horticultural, and rangeland crops and negative encounters with bear and cougar. To prevent such damage, the agency implements a fencing program to contain wildlife species on state lands. It also processes, investigates, and if substantiated, pays claims for agricultural crop damage caused by wildlife. Additionally, the agency responds to wildlife nuisance complaints and threats to public safety. If necessary, the department removes the threat through relocation and/or euthanasia.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	8.4	8.4	8.4
GFS	\$452,000	\$441,000	\$893,000
Other	\$705,000	\$707,000	\$1,412,000
Total	\$1,157,000	\$1,148,000	\$2,305,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the safety of people and property
Statewide Strategy: Safeguards and standards to protect natural resources

Expected Results

Number of confirmed cougar and bear complaints. Number of damage claims and costs of damage claims paid.

Undesirable contact with dangerous wildlife as measured by the number of verified complaints for bear and cougar per 100,000 citizens.				
Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance
2005-07	8th Qtr	10		
	4th Qtr	10		

A019 Manage Recreational Access Sites for Public Use

In order to meet the needs of an increasing population, the department strives to provide access to areas where fish and wildlife can be enjoyed through hunting, fishing, and/or wildlife viewing. The department manages over 600 access sites to provide increased opportunity for the public to interact with fish and wildlife species.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	11.6	11.3	11.5
GFS	\$132,000	\$129,000	\$261,000
Other	\$1,140,000	\$1,304,000	\$2,444,000
Total	\$1,272,000	\$1,433,000	\$2,705,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve cultural and recreational opportunities throughout the

state

Statewide Strategy: Ensure access to cultural and recreational opportunities

Expected Results

Number of recreational access sites owned or operated for public use.

A020 Manage Watchable Fish and Wildlife Recreation

National surveys published by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimate that over \$980 million is spent within the state on non-consumptive fish and wildlife recreation activities. Non-consumptive activities usually consist of wildlife viewing opportunities, such as bird watching or whale watching, which often take place in rural areas. In an effort to encourage non-consumptive fish and wildlife activity and promote rural economic development, the department implements programs to increase the number of watchable fish and wildlife sites and events throughout the state. Examples include development of fish and wildlife viewing sites and informational material, promotion of fish and wildlife appreciation festivals in local communities, and the backyard wildlife sanctuary program.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	10.7	10.5	10.6
GFS	\$160,000	\$156,000	\$316,000
Othe	\$1,032,000	\$1,139,000	\$2,171,000
Tota	\$1,192,000	\$1,295,000	\$2,487,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve cultural and recreational opportunities throughout the

state

Statewide Strategy: Ensure access to cultural and recreational opportunities

Expected Results

Γ	In	crease th	e number of wildlife viewing sites.	
	Biennium	Period	Target Actual	Variance
Γ	2005-07	8th Qtr	134	
İ		4th Qtr	133	

A021 Produce Scientific Reports and Publications

Research and data collected through agency studies are often valuable to professionals and scientists outside the agency. Therefore, the agency regularly participates on technical panels and publishes study results internally and/or externally in scientific journals.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	24.2	23.8	24.0
GFS	\$658,000	\$641,000	\$1,299,000
Other	\$1,840,000	\$2,064,000	\$3,904,000
Total	\$2,498,000	\$2,705,000	\$5,203,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Obtain data on which to make better decisions

Expected Results

Number of agency peer reviewed publications.

A022 Protect Fish, Wildlife, and Habitat

Under the authority of the Legislature, the agency approves or denies hydraulic permit applications designed to protect fish life. Additionally, the agency participates actively in identifying fish protection needs such as placement of screens to protect fish from entering irrigation waterways. Other protection activities include habitat acquisition and securing conservation easements. This category also includes activities related to oil spill response and damage assessment.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	55.8	55.0	55.4
GFS	\$2,083,000	\$2,031,000	\$4,114,000
Other	\$2,401,000	\$2,595,000	\$4,996,000
Total	\$4,484,000	\$4,626,000	\$9,110,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources
Statewide Strategy: Preserve and restore natural systems and the environment

Expected Results

Number of screens replaced to meet state fish protection standards by the agency. Number of new acres of critical habitat protected through conservation easements or land acquisitions by the agency.

A023 Protect Human, Fish and Wildlife Health

Numerous types of fish, shellfish, and wildlife species are consumed by the public. Therefore, the department, in conjunction with the Department of Health, ensures that these species are safe for human consumption through the regular testing of species for adverse human impacts. The most common examples are tests for chronic wasting disease in deer and elk or domoic acid (red-tide) levels in shellfish. This activity also involves the development of strategies, education, and outreach programs, and the enforcement and coordination efforts (within the agency and other agencies) designed to protect public health.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	2.9	2.9	2.9
GFS	\$183,000	\$178,000	\$361,000
Other	\$143,000	\$150,000	\$293,000
Total	\$326,000	\$328,000	\$654,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the health of Washingtonians

Statewide Strategy: Mitigate environmental hazards

Expected Results

Number of sanitary shellfish patrols per FDA standards. Number of CWD samples tested. Number of deer and elk samples collected and screened for chronic wasting disease.

	The number of deer and elk samples collected that are screened for chronic wasting disease.					
1	Ţ.				Variance	
		Pellou	Target	Actual	variance	
	2005-07	8th Qtr	1,000			
		4th Qtr	1,000			

A024 Provide External Customer Service

External agency communications with the public and the media include activities relating to public information requests, front desk reception, and all agency responses to general law enforcement and public disclosure issues.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	26.2	25.9	26.1
GFS	\$850,000	\$829,000	\$1,679,000
Other	\$2,010,000	\$2,100,000	\$4,110,000
Total	\$2,860,000	\$2,929,000	\$5,789,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Change individual practices and choices

Expected Results

Percent of hydraulic project approvals (HPAs) issued within twenty five days.

A025 Provide Internet Access to Agency Information and Data

This activity ensures public access to agency information and data via the Internet. This includes maintenance of the Internet and Intranet websites and other web-based capabilities. Online information is available regarding special hunter permits, news releases, Weekender (short video clips about outdoor activities), SalmonScape (watershed information), and access to customer demographics from the automated licensing system.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	2.6	2.6	2.6
GFS	\$41,000	\$40,000	\$81,000
Other	\$368,000	\$384,000	\$752,000
Total	\$409,000	\$424,000	\$833,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources

Statewide Strategy: Change individual practices and choices

Expected Results

Percentage of key corporate databases updated to web format. Number of visits to the WDFW web site.

A026 Provide Outreach and Education Services

The agency is committed to improving its relationship with the public and to providing educational opportunities that increase understanding of the environment and fish and wildlife species. Therefore, staff represents the department at numerous public events and to many service and professional associations. Current activities focus on angler education, youth sports fishing, and the Go Play Outside initiative. Additional focus is placed on hunter education, environmental education, outreach to diverse groups, volunteer projects, fish cooperative projects, and citizen science activities such as Nature Serve, Project CAT, and Project Mule Deer.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	32.7	31.9	32.3
GFS	\$416,000	\$405,000	\$821,000
Other	\$3,418,000	\$3,421,000	\$6,839,000
Total	\$3,834,000	\$3,826,000	\$7,660,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Change individual practices and choices

Expected Results

Number of fairs/events participated in by WDFW. Number of persons completing hunter education. Number of people participating in agency sponsored project Wild education.

	The number of youths (in thousands) participating in youth sport				
	fishing events.				
Ì	Biennium	Period	Target	Actual	Variance
	2005-07	8th Qtr	14		
		4th Qtr	14		

A027 Provide Technical and Policy Assistance

Management of fish, wildlife, and their habitat requires significant coordination between stakeholders to ensure species protection and sufficient recreational and commercial opportunities. The department regularly provides its technical expertise and policy direction both internally and externally to stakeholders, including private citizens, local, state, and federal governmental agencies, and other countries. Specific activities performed by the department include policy analysis, development, and negotiation to improve fish, wildlife, and habitat protection; participation and leadership in multi-party negotiations; review of state and federal laws; and technical and policy review and/or comment on other agency activities, permits, and documents. Issue areas include the Growth Management Act, Forest Protection Act, SEPA review of other agency activities, watershed steward teams, cooperative compliance, participation in the Transportation Permit Effectiveness and Accountability Committee, salmon recovery, and lead entities.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	122.2	120.7	121.5
GFS	\$6,042,000	\$6,195,000	\$12,237,000
Other	\$3,790,000	\$4,353,000	\$8,143,000
Total	\$9,832,000	\$10,548,000	\$20,380,000

Statewide Result Area: Improve the quality of Washington's natural resources Statewide Strategy: Change individual practices and choices

Expected Results

Number of hydropower projects reviewed for fish and wildlife protection and mitigation. Percent of technical assistance requests from Watershed Stewards Lead Entities, RFEGs, and project sponsors that were met for salmon recovery projects to provide agency perspective and expertise.

ZZZX Other Statewide Adjustments

This item reflects proposed compensation and other adjustments that were not allocated to individual agency activities. The agency will assign these costs to the proper activities after the budget is enacted.

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	0.0	0.0	0.0
GFS	\$(221,000)	\$(663,000)	\$(884,000)
Other	\$(27,000)	\$682,000	\$655,000
Total	\$(248,000)	\$19,000	\$(229,000)

Statewide Result Area: Strengthen the ability of state government to achieve results

efficiently and effectively

Statewide Strategy: Human resources support for government agencies

Grand Total

	FY 2006	FY 2007	Biennial Total
FTE's	1,543.7	1,521.8	1,532.8
GFS	\$45,782,000	\$45,837,000	\$91,619,000
Other	\$109,992,000	\$114,050,000	\$224,042,000
Total	\$155,774,000	\$159,887,000	\$315,661,000